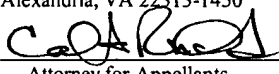


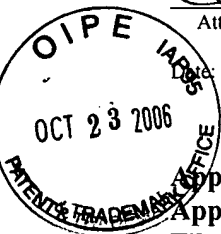
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Appl. No.: 09/648,861
Applicant(s): Samarth SARTHI et al.
Filed: August 25, 2000
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

To: Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned application, please find the following:

- Notice of Appeal (PTO/SB/31);
- Petition for a Three (3) Month Extension of Time under 37 CFR §1.136(a)(2); and
- Check in the amount of \$1,520 as the requisite fee for the three (3) month extension and the fee for filing a Notice of Appeal.

Also enclosed is a return postcard. Please date stamp the postcard and return it to the address thereon in order to acknowledge receipt of the above-mentioned correspondence.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 20-0888. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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